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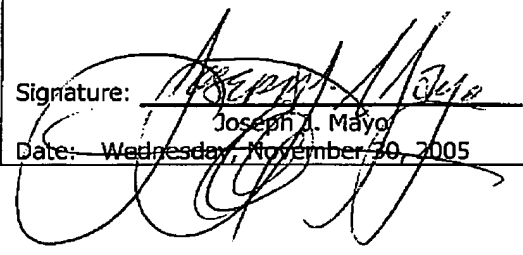
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TC/A.U. : 3625
Examiner : COGGINS, Wynn
Docket : A2I-P0001
Customer No. : 36067
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For: TIMESHARED ELECTRONIC CATALOG SYSTEM AND METHOD

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571-273-8300

PETITION TO THE DIRECTOR UNDER 37 CFR 1.181(c)
TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT
DUE TO EXAMINER ERROR AND
REQUEST TO ISSUE PATENT UNDER MPEP 1309 (B)

To Whom It May Concern:

Applicant hereby petitions the director to withdraw the holding of abandonment due to Examiner error and issue a patent for the abovementioned application with all due haste. The issue fee was paid, prosecution was closed then the previous Examiner sent a "corrected" notice of allowance even though the original notice of allowance contained no mistakes. Sending a "corrected" notice of allowance after prosecution is closed is the error made by the previous Examiner which caused the patent subsequently to be withdrawn from issue and abandoned.

The previous Examiner in charge of the above mentioned application sent a Corrected Notice of Allowance on July 22, 2004 even though the Issue Fee was paid in full on June 25, 2004, please see the attached PAIR printouts. Prosecution on the merits for this application was closed as of June 25, 2004. As there was no mistake in the prosecution of the application on the part of the office to that point, the Examiner erred by sending a "corrected" Notice of Allowance. There were no mistakes to correct. Applicant's representative believes the Examiner sent the Corrected Notice of Allowance out because the revision of the form itself had changed from Rev. 11/03 to Rev. 7/04. As prosecution was closed, Applicant was not obliged to respond to the erroneous notice since prosecution was closed.

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Subsequently, the Office of Patent Publications withdrew the application from issue and therefore violated 37 C.F.R. 313(b). To withdraw an accepted application from issue under these circumstances is a clear violation of 37 CFR 1.313, (see MPEP 1308) and was inappropriate. Applicant's rights to an issued patent have been severely compromised.

37 CFR 1.313. Withdrawal from issue.

(b) Once the issue fee has been paid, the Office will not withdraw the application from issue at its own initiative for any reason except:

- (1) A mistake on the part of the Office;**
- (2) A violation of § 1.56 or illegality in the application;**
- (3) Unpatentability of one or more claims; or**
- (4) For interference.**

As there was no mistake on part of the office on the original notice of allowance or even on the "corrected" notice of allowance, 37 CFR 1.313(b)1 does not apply. Since there was no violation of 37 CFR Rule 56, 1.313(b)2 does not apply. Since there were no patentability issues raised by the Examiner, 37 CFR 1.313(b)3 does not apply. Since the application is not the subject of an interference, 37 CFR 1.313(b)4 does not apply. Please see the attached PAIR pages, and the original Notice of Allowance and Corrected Notice of Allowance noting that there were no mistakes and thus no corrected mistakes on the "corrected" notice of allowance that would warrant sending the "corrected" notice which resulted in the application's withdrawal from issue.

As the Issue Fee and Publication Fee were timely paid within the statutory required 3 month period after the original Notice of Allowance was sent, ALL REQUIREMENTS OF 35 U.S.C. 151 HAVE BEEN SATISFIED. To remedy this injustice Applicant respectfully requests expedited issuance of the patent as per the original and timely filed PTOL-85 submission of June 25, 2004. Please use deposit account 502689 for any other charges not accounted for herein and please reference our file number A2I-P0001 when using the deposit account.

The Office of Patent Publications has denied a Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment and denied a Request for Reconsideration of Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment since according to paralegal Mr. Hawkins, the publication department cannot determine *why* the Examiner sent out the "corrected" notice of allowance. Even though the Office of Patent Publications was presented the notice of allowance and corrected notice of allowance showing no mistakes, the Office of Patent Publications refused to review either notice

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stating that since the "corrected" notice was not returned that the application must abandon. Justice dictates that an applicant that has successfully prosecuted an application and paid for that application be awarded a patent. Again, there are no mistakes to be found on the notice of allowance or "corrected" notice and therefore, the Applicant should be awarded the patent since the Examiner at the time should not have sent a "corrected" notice of allowance with no corrections of mistakes on it.

Applicant hereby requests expedited issue of the patent under 1309 (B) which states:

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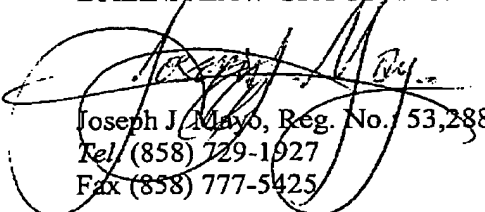
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Applicant further requests that the Examiner contact the Image Assistance Center to expedite the requested issuance.

Should the office disagree with this Petition applicant's representative respectfully requests that an attorney from the Petitions Office contact applicant representative at the number below to explain the rationale for such disagreement **BEFORE** denying this Petition.

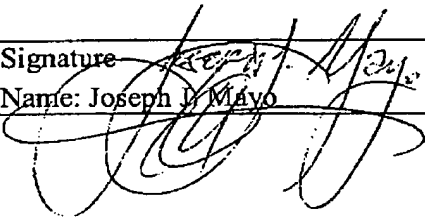
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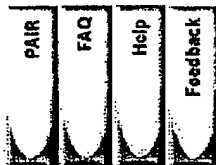
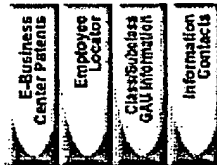
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01-12-2004	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)
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09-24-2001	Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
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12-09-2000	Application Dispatched from OIPE
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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/577,268	05/23/2000	Ariel Hazi	254/147	3565

TITLE OF INVENTION: TIMESHARED ELECTRONIC CATALOG SYSTEM AND METHOD

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE	PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
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